From:
To: Manston Airport

Subject: Redevelopment of Manston Airport

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For the Attention of the Manston Airport Case Team.

The redevelopment of the Airport is crucial to the survival of the whole Thanet area. Thanet is a deprived area with little or no job prospects for young people. The proposal to redevelop and reopen Manston brings hope to the whole of the surrounding area. The developers have promised to provide training and job opportunities to youngsters that currently have little hope of a rewarding career. This whole region requires a significant infrastructure project to revitalise the prospects for employment.

An air freight terminal would allow fast turnaround for time critical produce, flown in from around the world, to be transported throughout the UK with the airport now having good road access. The development of the Thanet Parkway railway station, which is in close proximity to the airport, could allow freight to also be transported by rail.

The developers have also promised a regional passenger terminal which could provide significant benefits to the whole of the Southeast as currently all air travel has the include travel to Heathrow or Gatwick which is always a very time consuming trip before embarking on any aircraft. Convenient travel around the UK would benefit the local community especially travel to the North and to Scotland and Ireland.

The possibility of a direct link to a major International hub at Amsterdam from this convenient location is also a major plus for the local community. Providing a convenient gateway to the rest of the world.

The reopening of Manston could reduce the necessity of road-freighting goods from the Continent, would reduce congestion both on the roads and in the air for traffic to and from the two major airports and would increase the prospects for commercial development in Kent. All of which would really benefit this region and potentially this country as a whole.

Please reconsider the proposed project and allow this major improvement to our area to go ahead.

Best Regards,

